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Sir:

This is in response to the Office action mailed December 30, 2005. As this response is being filed within the three month shortened statutory period for reply, no extension of time is believed necessary. However, Applicants conditionally petition for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such an extension has inadvertently been overlooked. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any necessary extension of time fees.

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- Remarks beginning on page 5